

ORDER NO. 1570

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
POSTAL REGULATORY COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, DC 20268-0001

Before Commissioners:

Ruth Y. Goldway, Chairman;  
Nanci E. Langley, Vice Chairman;  
Mark Acton;  
Tony Hammond; and  
Robert G. Taub

Market Dominant Product Prices  
Inbound Market Dominant Multi-Service Agreements  
with Foreign Postal Operators  
Singapore Post Limited – United States Postal Service  
Bilateral Agreement (MC2010-35)  
Negotiated Service Agreement

Docket No. R2012-1

ORDER GRANTING MOTION FOR TEMPORARY RELIEF

(Issued December 6, 2012)

The Postal Service seeks to briefly extend the expiration date of an existing negotiated service agreement (Existing Agreement) with Singapore Post Limited from December 31, 2012 to January 18, 2013.<sup>1</sup> In a related filing in Docket No. R2013-5, the Postal Service filed notice of a modification to the Existing Agreement, consisting of an extension of the Existing Agreement to June 30, 2013.<sup>2</sup> *Id.* at 1.

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<sup>1</sup> Motion of the United States Postal Service for Temporary Relief, December 4, 2012 (Motion).

<sup>2</sup> See Notice of United States Postal Service of Filing Additional Functionally Equivalent Agreement, December 4, 2012. This allows the Postal Service to satisfy the 45 days' advance notice requirement in 39 CFR 3010.41.

To maintain continuity, the Postal Service requests that the terms and conditions of the Existing Agreement be extended until the Commission completes its review of Docket No. R2013-5 or until January 18, 2013, whichever occurs first, given the gap between the expiration date and the effective date of the modification. *Id.* at 1-2.

The Motion is granted. The Existing Agreement is authorized to continue until the Commission issues a final order in Docket No. R2013-5 or until January 18, 2013, whichever occurs first. Allowing the Existing Agreement to remain in effect temporarily is in the public interest and will not prejudice any person.

*It is ordered:*

1. The Motion of the United States Postal Service for Temporary Relief, filed December 4, 2012, is granted.
2. The Existing Agreement is authorized to continue until the Commission issues a final order in Docket No. R2013-5 or until January 18, 2013, whichever occurs first.

By the Commission.

Shoshana M. Grove  
Secretary